



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 5276***

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and  
Employment Advancement

Introduced by:  
(HED)

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE CAPITOL SCHOLARSHIP GRANT  
PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-169 of the 2012 supplement to the general  
2 statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof  
3 (*Effective from passage*):

4 [(a)] For the fiscal year commencing on July 1, 1987, and thereafter,  
5 any student (1) who is a resident of the state as defined under sections  
6 10a-28, 10a-29, and 10a-30, (2) who has not received a baccalaureate  
7 degree, and (3) who has been accepted for study on a full-time or part-  
8 time basis at any postsecondary school, technical institute, college or  
9 university within the state or in any other state which permits its  
10 students to bring state student financial assistance funds into  
11 Connecticut shall be eligible for financial assistance under the capitol  
12 scholarship grant program at any stage of postsecondary study. All  
13 such institutions shall be previously approved or accredited by the  
14 Board of Regents for Higher Education or by the State Board of  
15 Education for postsecondary study. Grants under said program shall

16 be based on financial need and either previous high school academic  
 17 achievement or performance on standardized academic aptitude tests,  
 18 as determined by the Board of Regents for Higher Education. The  
 19 maximum award tendered to a student attending an institution in the  
 20 state shall not exceed three thousand dollars annually. The maximum  
 21 award tendered to a student attending an out-of-state institution shall  
 22 not exceed five hundred dollars annually. Sums so awarded shall be  
 23 disbursed by the accepting institution on behalf of the student for  
 24 tuition fees, books, board or any legitimate educational expense.

25 [(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (a) of this section,  
 26 for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2012, and June 30, 2013, (1) no  
 27 student shall be eligible for financial assistance under the capitol  
 28 scholarship grant program unless such student was eligible and  
 29 received financial assistance in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2011, and  
 30 (2) grants under said program shall be reduced proportionately if the  
 31 total amount of such grants exceeds the amount appropriated to the  
 32 capitol scholarship program in section 1 of public act 11-6.]

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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***HED***      ***Joint Favorable***